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Travis County District Attorney Rosemary Lehmberg today announced that a tanker cleaning company in Freeport, Texas and a facility manager have paid a total of \$1.2 million in fines for hazardous waste violations. The Travis County District Attorney's Office Environmental Protection Unit prosecuted the case.

Enterprise Logistic Services LLC, d/b/a Enterprise Transportation Company and John Schultz, a facility manager for the company, both paid fines for criminal hazardous waste violations relating to the operation of a tanker cleaning facility in Freeport, Texas.

The charges stemmed from a criminal investigation of the failure to use an air pollution control flare, which is a required pollution control or monitoring device, in violation of a permit issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ). Under this permit, the company should have used the flare system to control air contaminant emissions prior to cleaning chemicals out of tanker trailers. TCEQ regulations require the capture and abatement of hazardous pollutants inside tanker trailers prior to cleaning tanker trailers. These regulations are part of our state efforts to protect human health and the environment.

Enterprise Logistic Services LLC, d/b/a Enterprise Transportation Company paid fines totaling \$1 million and Schultz was placed on community supervision and paid fines totaling \$200,000.

Today's pleas in the 299th District Court are a culmination of the collaborative work of the Texas Environmental Task Force. Lehmberg credited the work of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Environmental Crimes Unit, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Environmental Crimes Unit, the Travis County District Attorney's Office Environmental Protection Unit and the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

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